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L. W. Benedict

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Brother Phelps.

92 Your favor of 14th Sept. came duly to hand. I congratulate on your safe return to home and friends. also on the good which I think you did while abroad. Besides your labors in Convention I have been greatly interested in the communications of "P." in the Evangelist. You ought to make ~~Bedell~~ pay handsomely for the letters for they are the best series the ~~Evangelist~~ has had since the day of 'Cof'.

In relation to the Books I was to send. They have been ready a long while, but your direction was to send them with Tappan's. I called on him and he was not ready. And the post I knew he was off. I have called upon him since your letter, and he says he will write you to know what you want from him, and when he gets your reply I will send all together.

I have the Ster. plates of "Wesley's Thoughts". If you can get any thing worth while for them, I may also send you them - for the cause somehow.

The note against Pratt has not been paid. She promised to pay it last week. It remains as before, promises notwithstanding. He says if it is sued he never will pay one cent.

Truly yours
L. W. Benedict